Receipt date: 02/17/2006

10568800 - GAU: 3679

## IAP20 Rec'd PCTATO 17 FEB 2006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Heiko Harnischfeger

Serial No.: Unassigned

Filed:

Herewith

For: TWIN-BALL JOINT

Attorney Docket No.: GKN0

GKNG 1276 PCT

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service via

"Express Mail" under Label No. EV687839287US in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22316-14500n.

February 17, 2006
Date of Deposit

Angle Moscowitz

∫ ∯signature ()

#### DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.56

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the art listed and identified on the attached PTO form is being submitted herewith for consideration by the Examiner. A copy of each of the listed references is included herewith. A review of the European Patent Office determines that patents DE 103 13 739 and DD 31 220 have no English Abstract available at this time.

It is Applicant's opinion that the claims presently on file patentably distinguish the present invention from each of these references. The above references are being cited only in the interests of candor and without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art or contain matter which anticipates the invention or which would render the same obvious, either singly or in combination, to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

Receipt date: 02/17/2006 **10**/3

# **10/568 604** 3679 IAP20 Rec'd PCT/PTO 17 FEB 2006,

-2-

GKNG1276 PCT

No fee is believed to be due because this statement and enclosures are being filed with the initial patent application. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0476 in the name of John A. Artz, P.C.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTZ & ARTZ, P.C.

Robert P. Renke

Registration No. 40,783 28333 Telegraph Road, Suite 250

Southfield, MI 48034 (248) 223-9500

Date: February 17, 2006

### Receipt date: 02/17/2006

Examiner

/Gregory Binda/

### IAP20 Rec'd PCT/PTO 17 FEB 2006

Approved for use through 10/31/20/2. OMG 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB

Substitut	te for form 1449A/PT	0		Complete if Known 40000			
				Application Number	APPLIED FOR DO DU		
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT			SCLOSURE	Filing Date	HEREWITH		
			APPLICANT	First Named Inventor	HEIKO HARNISCHFEGER		
				Art Unit			
	(use as many shee	ets a	s necessary)	Examiner Name			
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	GKNG 1276 PCT		

Examiner Initials		Document Number  Number-Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	AA	US- 2001/0024976	09-27-2001	Ouchi et al.	
	BB	US. 2004/0254021	12-16-2004	Schwarzler	
	CC	US- 5,685,777	11-11-1997	Schwarzler	
	DD	US- 5,509,856	04-23-1996	Welschof	
		US-			

			IGN PATENT D	COUNCILIO		$\overline{}$
Examiner Initials	Cite	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	ΤE
		Country Code 3 - Number 4 - Kind Code 4 (FAnown)				
	EE	EP 1 326 027 A1	07-09-2003			
						<u>_</u>
						L
			-		-	
						-
						-
			**************************************			
						_

<sup>\*</sup>EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Drew line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Engine Investigate Internation is multi-recommended to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time self very despending upon the need of the individual case. Any comments on the innernation of the investigated to take 2.0 hours to complete the form shaded to send to the Order Internation Office. U.S. Pattern and Trademark Office. Washington, DC 20231, DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO Assistant Commissioner for Petents, Washington, DC 20231.

Date Considered 03/04/2009

consumences among components, include copy of this form with next communication to applicate.

3 See Kinds Code of USPTO Patent. Documents at <a href="https://www.usolo.gov">www.usolo.gov</a> or MPEP 90.104.

3 See Kinds Code of USPTO Patent. Documents at <a href="https://www.usolo.gov">www.usolo.gov</a> or MPEP 90.104.

5 Enter Office that Issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3).

4 For Japanese patent documents with indication of the year of the region of the Emperor must proceed the selfal number of the patent document. § Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated not not document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. § Applicant is to place a check mark here if English Indiquage of Indianation is attached.